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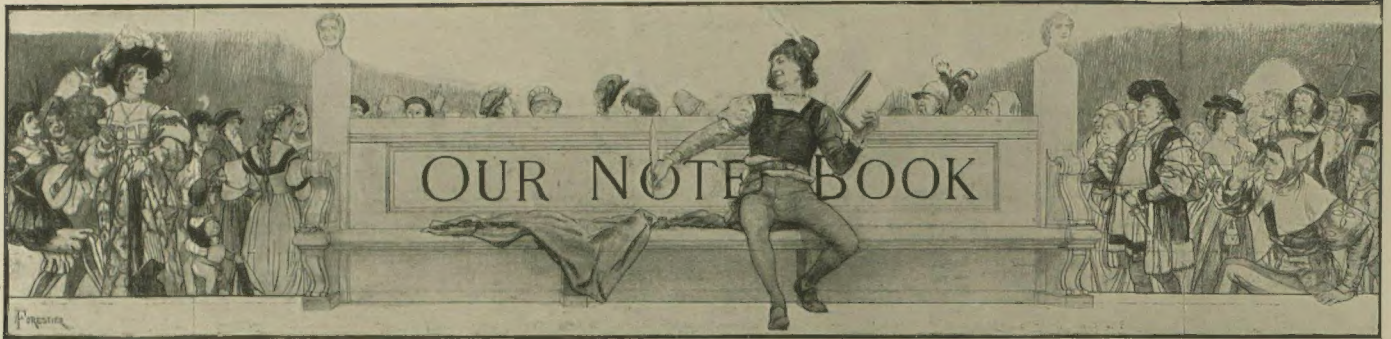
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GOING TO HONOUR HEROES AND HEROINES OF THE WAR: HIS MAJESTY THE KING, WITH THE QUEEN AND PRINCESS MARY,
AT HYDE PARK CORNER ON THEIR WAY TO THE INVESTITURE.

The royal party received a great ovation as they drove from Buckingham Palace on June 2 to Hyde Park, where the King conferred a large number of war decorations, as described on the other pages in this number illustrating the occasion. Their Majesties, accompanied by Princess Mary, left the Palace at 2.35 p.m. in an open landau drawn

by four bay horses, with postilions. The escort was formed by a detachment of the 1st Life Guards, wearing khaki, and mounted on black horses. Arrived at the dais, the King, after inspecting the Guard of Honour, provided by the Scots Guards, spent nearly two hours in pinning on the various decorations to the 351 recipients.



By G. K. CHESTERTON.

THE warning against Prussianising England, even in resistance to Prussia, is in itself the reverse of unreal. But it tends to be disregarded by realistic people because it is too often urged by other people who, even when not unpatriotic, are at least unpractical. But the truth is that Prussia is very nearly as bad as a practical guide as she is an ideal guide. Mere Prussianism will not only worsen, but may well weaken this country; first, because even when such German organisation is successful, it is successful with Germans; and second, because even then it is often most successful merely in looking successful. Before we fall down and worship the Prussian helmet, it is well to remember two things: that the Prussian helmet is made to fit the Prussian head, and that the Prussian head was none the stronger or sharper because the old Prussian helmet had a spike on it. We need not deny that in some departments the enemy really had the advantage of organisation—or what might more properly be called the advantage of preparation. But before we make it a model even in material, far less in moral things, it will be well to read what is said about it by those few writers who describe it with the handicap of having seen it.

In a very illuminating letter I saw recently, written by one who had seen something of German militarism from within, there was one remark which is worth reams of distant calculations and dead statistics on the subject. The writer said that the sentries round a prison were placed with the most mathematical exactitude at precisely identical distances from each other. And he added that this was done even in cases where it involved preventing the sentinel from seeing anything or hearing anything or being of any earthly use as a sentinel. From this account, one might almost fancy that if the regulation number of yards or inches brought the sentry to a spot which was an open well, they would drop him down the well. Anyhow, it seemed clear that they would not move the sentry a few paces further to a place commanding all the opportunities of sentry duty. Whatever may be the facts about such a disciplinary fashion, the story will stand very well for a symbol of how discipline can defeat itself, and how a thing that is more organised can be less organic. The writer mentioned many other things upon the same dehumanised pattern, notably some extraordinary things about the inverted psychology of the Germans in their successes and failures. But I am here concerned with the problem of Prussianism in the sense of organisation; and with the fallacy of supposing that the precise is necessarily the practical. Dr. Johnson was more precise when he touched all the posts as they stood in a row; but he was less practical than when he kicked the stone to express his impatience with a philosophy of unreality. Either may have been illogical; but the first was the insane and the second the sane Johnson. Anyhow, we should

not think he was a very much saner Johnson merely because he had taken care to kick all the stones within a certain fixed distance of Bolt Court. But there is another objection to what is called the ideal organisation, besides the fact that whatever is merely formal may become unconsciously fantastic. There is almost a mathematical objection to this abuse of mathematics. And it is particularly applicable to some of the claims that are now being made for a sort of code of regulations to reform the social life of this country. The English will be wise to beware of it in the precise respect in which the Germans boast of it: that it is a general scheme for organising the whole life of a people. For it is precisely this German ideal that is unpractical—or rather, impossible. In one sense, all law rests on the principle that even the rule is the exception. It is the exception in the sense

most modern projects of "social reform" which affect things like drink, diet, hygiene, and sexual selection. If men cannot govern themselves in these things separately, it is physically impossible for them to govern themselves in these things collectively. It not only means publicity instead of privacy; it means every man in his public capacity being in charge of every other man in his private capacity. It not only means washing dirty linen in public; it means all of us living by taking in each other's washing.

I read somewhere of a North Country lady whose name I forget (let us call her Mrs. Robinson) who put large quantities of arsenic in the teapot from which her husband afterwards helped himself, according to his daily habit; and who afterwards lucidly and logically denied that she had poisoned him, because she had not poured out the tea for him. The legal authorities declined to take this view of her detachment from the incident, and the unhappy woman was, I believe, executed. But the legal apparatus which apprehended her could only have acted on the principle that there are few such unhappy wives—not to mention unhappy husbands. Extend the principle from Mrs. Robinson to Mrs. Camp, who was in the habit of putting gin in the teapot, and you will find you have at least to extend it also to Mrs. Prig, and actually to very many more. Extend it from Mrs. Prig to Mrs. Weller, who merely drank more tea than Mr. Weller thought was good for her, and the criminal class will swell visibly before your very eyes, like the tea-drinking ladies of whom Mr. Weller complained. Proceed upon the principle that tea itself is a poison like arsenic (as many of our social professors would be quite prepared to do), and you will leave a few unfortunate policemen struggling with millions of masterful and determined suicides. Even the attempt to prevent people drinking alarming amounts of tea would have disadvantages, which would sadden your career as a social reformer. One of the disadvantages would be that the drinkers would include an individual already referred to—Dr. Johnson; and Dr. Johnson would certainly knock you down.

Normal humanity organises itself freely into families. The State was never meant to be anything but a specialist called in to treat maniacs, who carry the freedom of the family to the point of putting arsenic into the tea. It cannot be mobilised, even if it ought to be mobilised, against those milder enthusiasts who merely put tea into the husband. That some such notion of organising the normal has entered the German imagination for two generations is merely one of the great intellectual stupidities by which the German imagination has come, in two generations, to madness and destruction. It is adopted because it is much easier to organise than to think; and, if we pursue such organisation, we shall organise our own end.



CELEBRATING THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY OF ITALY'S ENTRY INTO THE WAR: A MASS MEETING AT THE CAPITOL IN ROME. May 24, kept with us as Empire Day, is memorable in Italian history as the date of the declaration of war against Austria in 1915. The second anniversary was celebrated all over Italy. In Rome huge crowds gathered at the Capitol to hear patriotic speeches, and there was a great procession to a house used as a hospital for wounded, and formerly occupied by the Austro-Hungarian Embassy to the Vatican.—[Photograph by Morano-Pisculli.]

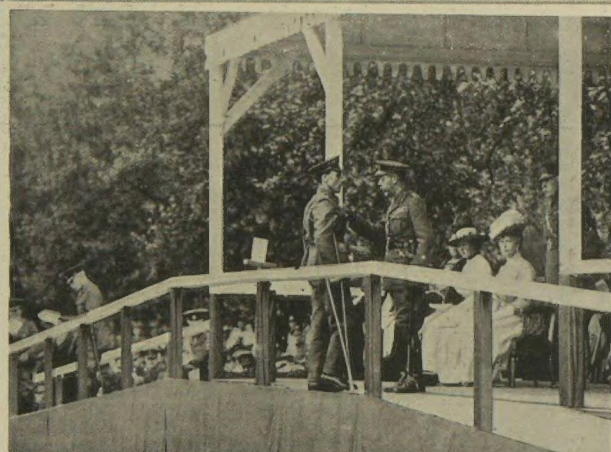
that the ruler intervenes rarely. It is the rule at present that murderers shall be hanged; but, if most men were murderers, most men would not be hanged. If only half of them were murderers, the other half might have to be hangmen, which would leave many other callings and forms of culture in some neglect. This is a very simple truth; yet the realisation of it knocks the bottom out of the whole notion of organising normal human life from above. Unless men could live together in almost complete publicity and community as private soldiers do (and they can only do it without women or children), it would always be impossible to regulate the daily life of people, for the simple reason that there would not be enough people left to regulate it. To control family life, for instance, you must have at least one police spy for every family. Police spies are now a minority (though I fear an increasing minority) because it has hitherto been calculated—and not, perhaps, with too rosy an optimism—that criminals will be a minority. Once make a thing which any man may do a crime, and every man must have a "shadowing" detective as every man has a shadow. Yet this is precisely the preposterous end to which are directed

THE KING HONOURS THE BRAVE: THE HYDE PARK INVESTITURE.

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HIS MAJESTY OPENING THE PROCEEDINGS: THE KING INSPECTING THE GUARD OF HONOUR OF THE SCOTS GUARDS.



"FOR MOST CONSPICUOUS BRAVERY AND DETERMINATION": PRIVATE THOMAS HUGHES, CONNAUGHT RANGERS, RECEIVING HIS V.C. FROM THE KING.



AN INCIDENT THAT MOST TOUCHED THE SPECTATORS: A BLINDED SOLDIER (IN MUFF).



"BLIGHTY" BLUE A PREVAILING COLOUR AMONG THE SPECTATORS: WOUNDED SOLDIERS IN MOTOR-LORRIES.



A CRIMEAN VETERAN PRESENT: PRIVATE G. SMITH, ROYAL MARINES, SALUTING THE KING.



THE "NEXT OF KIN": WIDOWS AND BEREAVED RELATIVES WHO RECEIVED HONOURS WON BY THEIR DEAD MEN-FOLK.



THE FIRST SIX RECIPIENTS: (RIGHT TO LEFT) MAJOR MURRAY; LT.-COL. FORBES-ROBERTSON; CAPT. PECK, R.N.; CAPT. EVANS, R.N.; LT.-COL. ADAMSON; LT.-COL. FEWTRILL.

The first man to receive his decoration (at the Investiture in Hyde Park) was Major Henry Murray, of the Australian Infantry, who was given the D.S.O. and bar and the V.C. for "wonderful work . . . sheer valour . . . and his magnificent example." Next followed the officers seen seated next to him in the right-hand photograph at the foot of the page, taking them in order from right to left. Lieut.-Col. James Forbes-Robertson, Border Regiment, attached Newfoundland Regiment, received the D.S.O. and M.C. The next four, who each received the D.S.O., were Capt. Ambrose Peck, R.N., and Capt. Edward Evans, R.N. (commanders respectively of the "Swift" and "Broke" in the Channel

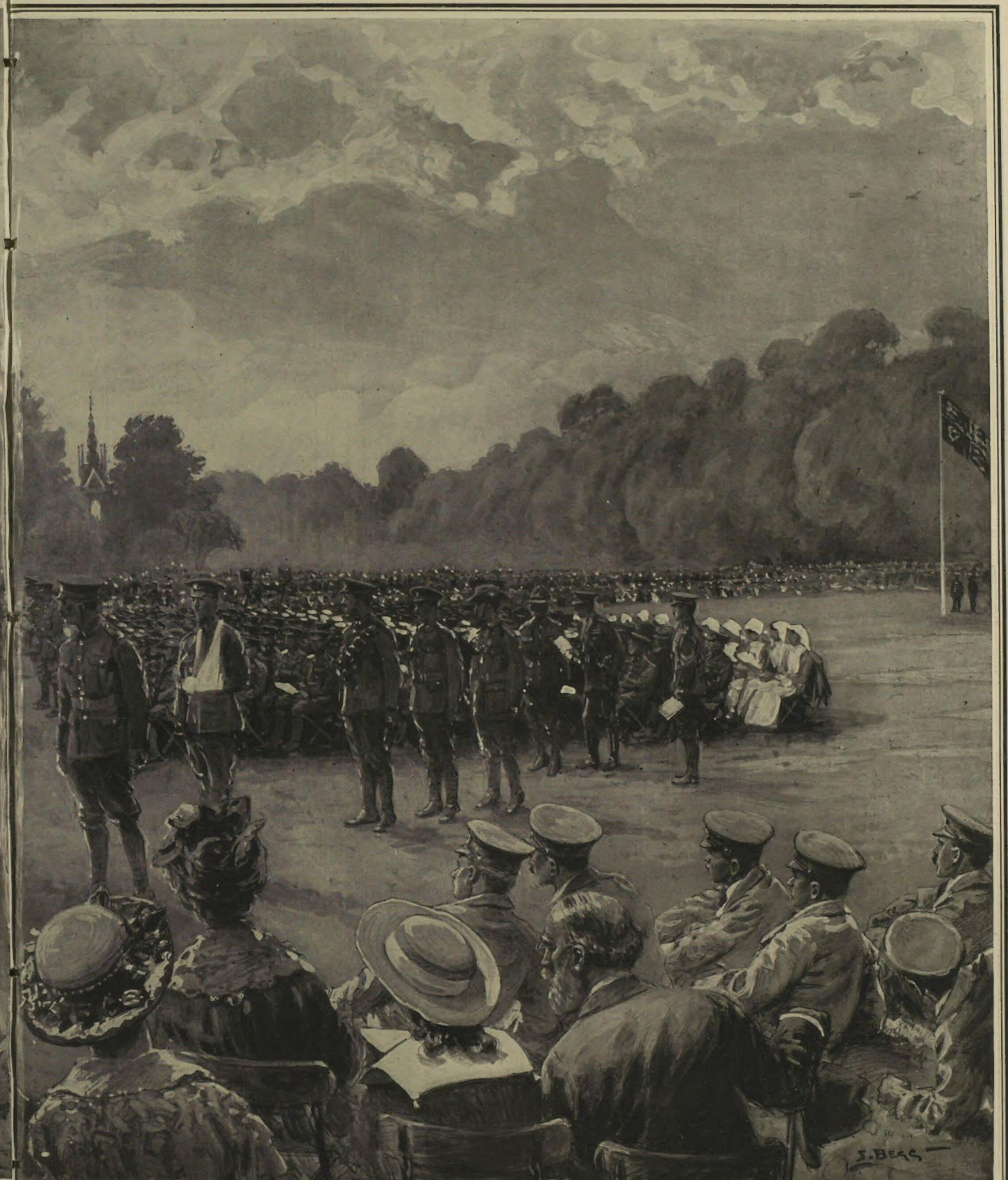
destroyer fight); Lieut.-Col. Agar Adamson, Canadian Infantry; and Lieut.-Col. Albert Fewtrell, Anzac Light Railways. Private Thomas Hughes, Connaught Rangers, received the V.C. "for most conspicuous bravery and determination at Guillemont, Sept. 3, 1916." Among the "next-of-kin" were the recipients of four posthumous V.C.'s awarded to Sec. Lieut. George Cates, Rifle Brigade; Sergt. J. Erskine, Scottish Rifles; Sergt. T. Mottershead, R.F.C.; and Private J. Fynn, S. Wales Borderers. A blinded soldier, who was led up by an orderly to receive the Military Medal, aroused the sympathies of all present. Among the spectators were some six hundred wounded men.

WHERE QUEEN VICTORIA, ON HORSEBACK, PRESENTED THE

DRAWN BY OUR SPECIAL

FIRST VICTORIA CROSSES: THE INVESTITURE IN HYDE PARK.

ARTIST, S. BEGG.



WITH A GUARD OF AEROPLANES PATROLLING THE AIR ABOVE: HIS MAJESTY

The Investiture held by the King in Hyde Park on Saturday, June 2, was memorable both in itself, and as the first ceremony of its kind held in the open air in this country since the days of the Crimean War. It was on a June day sixty years ago that Queen Victoria presented in Hyde Park the first sixty-two Victoria Crosses ever awarded. Her Majesty, who wore a red jacket crossed by a Field-Marshal's sash, remained on horseback to present the crosses, surrounded by men in the brilliant uniforms of that period. The recent scene had a very different setting, in which khaki prevailed, mingled with the "Blighty" blue of the wounded, and the mourning worn by relatives of some of the heroes who had not lived to receive their earthly reward. The King himself, who was accompanied by the Queen and Princess Mary, was in the undress uniform of a Field-Marshal. The recipients of decorations comprised 313 officers and men of the Navy and Army, 26 relatives of men who had died after winning a decoration, and twelve nurses who received the Royal Red Cross.

THE KING BESTOWING 351 WAR DECORATIONS IN HYDE PARK ON JUNE 2.

The honours conferred included 11 V.C.'s (4 of them posthumous), besides other decorations such as the D.S.O., M.C., D.S.C., and D.S.M. During the proceedings an aerial guard of honour composed of four aeroplanes (seen in the sky in the right background) performed evolutions overhead at a height of some 10,000 to 15,000 feet. The ceremony took place in the large grass field near Knightsbridge Barracks and the Albert Memorial, seen through the trees in the background. Just this side of the royal pavilion is a soldier holding up a card bearing the number (on the programme) of the recipient then being decorated. The others, awaiting their turn, are seated immediately opposite the pavilion. They walked up the gangway from one side and returned to their places from the other. Numbers of wounded soldiers were accommodated in the front ranks of the spectators. In the centre of the field the Royal Standard floated from a flagstaff, as shown towards the right in the drawing.—[Drawing Copyrighted in the United States and Canada.]

COAST DEFENCES AGAINST "TIP-AND-RUN" GERMAN AIR RAIDERS: AIR PATROLS AND "ARCHIES" OF THE R.N.A.S.

PHOTOGRAPH BY C.N.



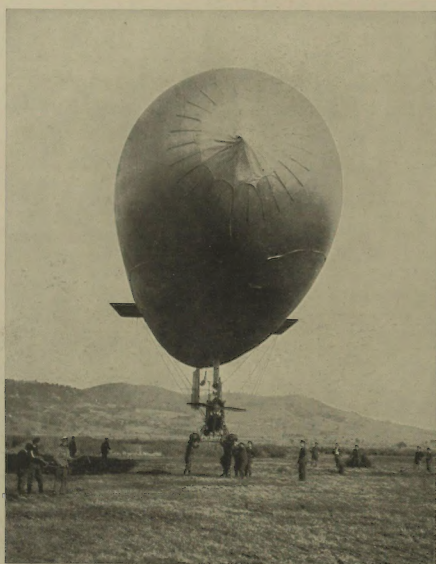
PRECAUTIONS AGAINST GERMAN AIR-RAIDS: AN R.N.A.S. UNIT PATROLLING THE COAST;
AND TWO ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS.



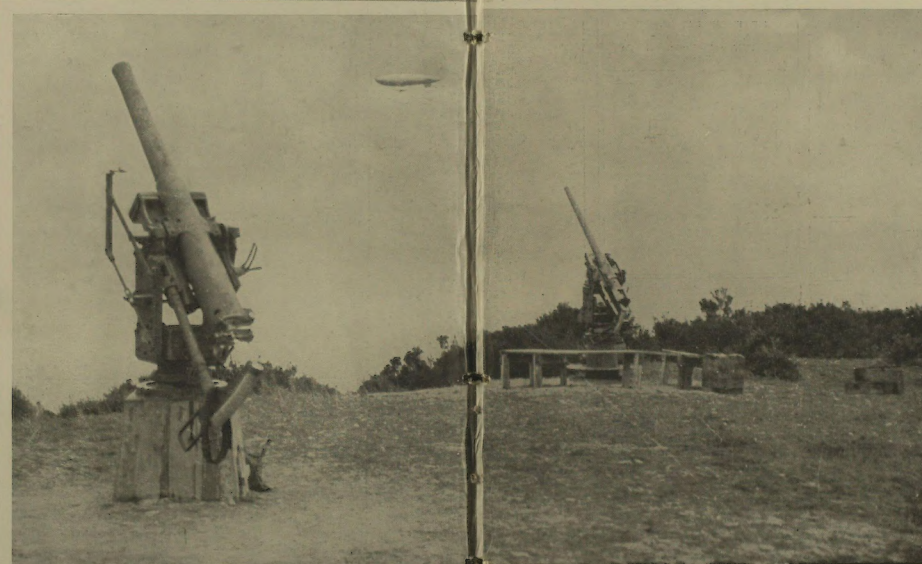
A BRITISH AIR SCOUT ON THE COAST; A UNIT OF THE ROYAL NAVAL AIR
SERVICE ABOUT TO ASCEND.



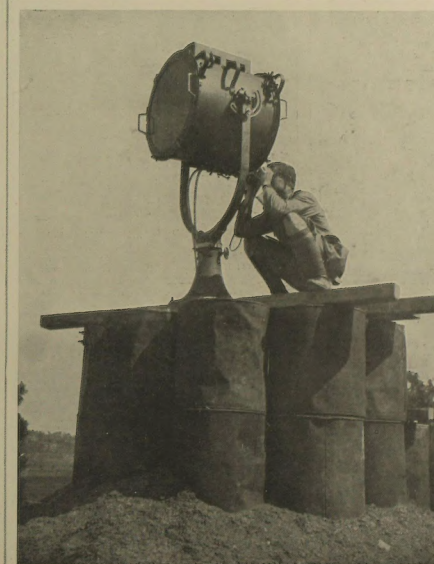
MANNED BY BOTH NAVAL AND MILITARY MEN: ANTI-AIRCRAFT COAST GUNS IN ACTION
AGAINST AIR-RAIDERS.



ABOUT TO ASCEND FOR COAST SCOUTING—
AN R.N.A.S. AIRSHIP.



HOW THE R.N.A.S. KEEPS WATCH UPON THE
ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUNS ON SHORE.



SIGNALLING TO A TRAWLER WITH A SEARCHLIGHT: ANOTHER PHASE
OF COAST-DEFENCE WORK.

The recent enemy air-raid on Folkestone stimulated public interest in the question of our defences against German aircraft. In these photographs we are able to illustrate some of the excellent work done by the Royal Naval Air Service in patrolling the coast and preparing to give air-raiders a warm reception. When the great extent of our coast-line is considered, it will be realised that the task is no light one. As regards the possibility of further raids, it was stated the other day that steps were being taken to extend the system of warning on the south-east coast during daylight, and that the number of aeroplanes available to meet raiders was daily increasing. At the same time the authorities considered that at certain

points of the coast "tip-and-run" air-raids were always possible. After the Folkestone affair, Lord French said to a deputation from the town and district that, according to present experience, attacks by aeroplane could not be absolutely prevented, but that the scheme of defence had been very carefully reconsidered. He hoped that, even if it were not possible altogether to prevent the Germans from making similar attempts against this country, the measures which had been adopted would, at any rate, make any future raid a very risky operation and would ensure heavy loss being inflicted on the enemy.

"WHOM THE KING DELIGHTETH TO HONOUR": IN THE BIRTHDAY LIST.

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LORD CLAUD HAMILTON
(Privy Councillor). Is Chairman of the Great Eastern Railway Company.

COL. AND ALDERMAN
SIR WILLIAM H. DUNN
(Baronet). Lord Mayor of London.

LORD FARQUHAR
(Viscount). Lord Steward to King George. Formerly King Edward's Master of the Household. Was created a Peer in 1892.

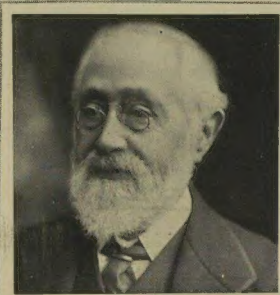


THE RIGHT HON.
EVELYN CECIL, M.P.
(Privy Councillor). Eldest son of Lord Eustace Cecil.



THE RIGHT HON.
J. H. THOMAS, M.P.
(Privy Councillor). Labour leader, Member for Derby.

LORD DEVONPORT
(Viscount). The retiring Food Controller. First Chairman of the Port of London Authority. He was created a Peer in 1910.



CAPTAIN E. G. PRETYMAN, M.P.
(Privy Councillor). Civil Lord of the Admiralty since December 1916, and Unionist M.P. for Chelmsford.



THE RIGHT HON. H.
PIKE PEASE, M.P.
(Privy Councillor). Assistant Postmaster-General.



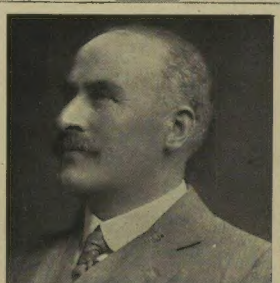
SIR ROBERT HADFIELD
(Baronet). Member of the Munitions Inventions Board. Chairman of Hadfields, Ltd.



SIR WILLIAM H. LEVER
(Peer). Gave Stafford House to the Nation for the London Museum.

THE RIGHT HON.
NEIL PRIMROSE, M.P.
(Privy Councillor). Second son of Lord Rosebery.

SIR PHILIP MAGNUS, M.P.
(Baronet). M.P. for London University from 1906, and Member of the Senate.



SIR JAMES KNOTT
(Baronet). The well-known ship-owner, for many years Chairman of the Prince Line of steamers.



SIR ALFRED F. ROBBINS
(Knight). President of London District of Institute of Journalists, 1908.



SIR D. J. SHACKLETON,
K.C.B.
(Knight). Secretary to the Ministry of Labour.

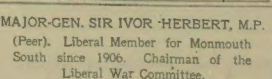


SIR E. MARSHALL HALL
(Knight). The well-known barrister. Unionist M.P. for East Toxteth.

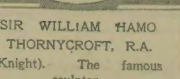
SIR FREDERICK SMITH
(Peer). High Sheriff of Carnarvonshire. Created Baronet in 1912. A Director of Collieries.



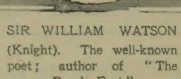
MAJOR-GEN. SIR IVOR HERBERT, M.P.
(Peer). Liberal Member for Monmouth South since 1906. Chairman of the Liberal War Committee.



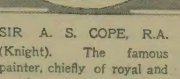
SIR WILLIAM HAMO
THORNYCROFT, R.A.
(Knight). The famous sculptor.



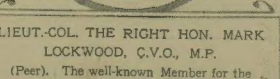
SIR WILLIAM WATSON
(Knight). The well-known poet; author of "The Purple East."



SIR A. S. COPE, R.A.
(Knight). The famous painter, chiefly of royal and other notable portraits.



LIEUT.-COL. THE RIGHT HON. MARK
LOCKWOOD, C.V.O., M.P.
(Peer). The well-known Member for the Epping Division of Essex.



"THE AMERICAN FLAG HANGS NOW IN ST. PAUL'S": A HISTORIC OCCASION.

DRAWN BY OUR SPECIAL ARTIST, A. FORESTIER.



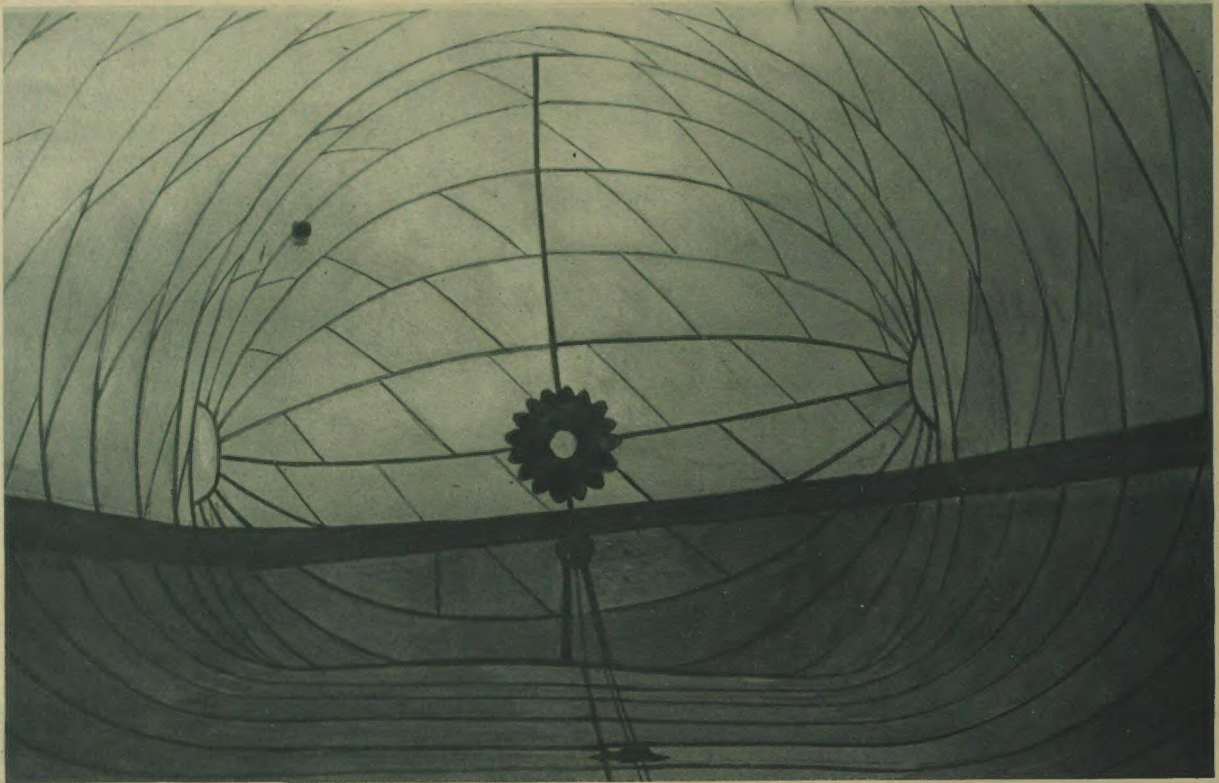
PLACING THE STARS AND STRIPES IN ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: THE SCENE IN THE NORTH TRANSEPT WHEN THE FLAGS OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA WERE DEPOSITED THERE BY THE AMERICAN LEGION.

"I was at St. Paul's Cathedral this morning," said the United States Ambassador, Mr. W. H. Page, in a speech that he made on May 30, "when the American Legion—men who are serving in the Canadian Army—presented to the Cathedral the flag of the United States and the flag of Canada, and those who preside over that great sanctuary of our race were kind enough to place them in an honourable position so long as the war shall last. And the American flag hangs now in St. Paul's. . . . There was hardly a dry eye in the whole congregation. 'Why?' Because the American flag

there symbolised what we all approve, and what moves us to the depth of our being." On arrival in the Cathedral, the flags were first placed on the altar, and after a short service were carried to the North Transept amid the singing of "Onward, Christian Soldiers." Here Archdeacon Holmes received the flags from the officers bearing them, and handed them to the Clerk of Works, who fixed them one by one on a window-sill above a monument. The service closed with a verse each from "The Star-Spangled Banner" and the British National Anthem.—[Drawing Copyrighted in the United States and Canada.]

INSIDE A GERMAN "SAUSAGE": AT AN ENEMY KITE-BALLOON STATION.

REPRODUCED FROM A GERMAN PAPER.



AN UNUSUAL VIEW OF A GERMAN KITE-BALLOON USED FOR PURPOSES OF OBSERVATION: THE INTERIOR OF THE ENVELOPE—AN ENEMY PHOTOGRAPH.



WEARING FELT SLIPPERS TO AVOID FRICTIONAL ELECTRICITY: A GERMAN FLYING OFFICER ENTERING A KITE-BALLOON FILLED WITH AIR.

These photographs, which are reproduced from a German illustrated paper, are of interest as showing an aspect of kite-balloon work unfamiliar to the general public; that is, the interior of the envelope and the method of entering it, when it is filled with air, for purposes of inspection. The upper photograph was taken inside the inflated envelope. In the lower one, a German officer-airman is seen going inside to inspect. His thick felt slippers are designed to prevent picking up grains of sand which might generate

frictional electricity. British airmen at the front have lately been practising, with considerable success, the tactics of flying low to fire their machine-guns both at kite-balloons on the ground, and the crews of enemy anti-aircraft guns. "To attack a German observation balloon in its 'bed' a few days ago," writes a "Daily Telegraph" correspondent on June 1, "a British scout flew over the lines so low that he had to 'zoom' over a number of trees and badly strated hedges."

A NATURAL "BOMB-PROOF": COVER IN A GROTTO NEAR VERDUN.



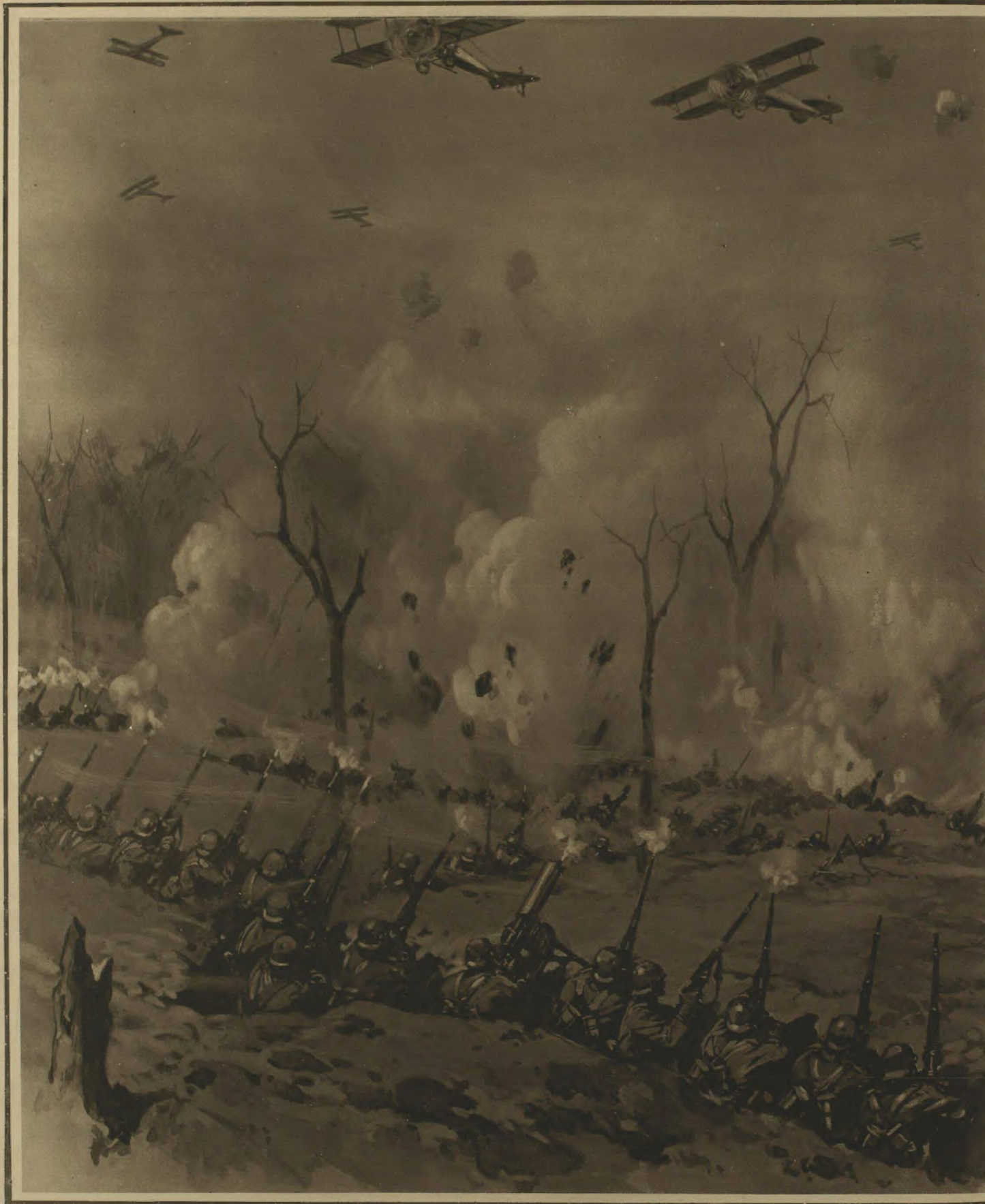
WITH THE FRENCH IN THE NEIGHBOURHOOD OF VERDUN: A CANTONMENT IN THE GROTTES OF LA FALOUSE.

Verdun has been quieter this year than it was last. "During the year 1916," a French communiqué stated, "the French troops, in breaking the assault of the enemy against the fortress of Verdun, and in forcing him to fall back on both banks of the Somme, captured 78,500 prisoners." Early in March last the Germans attempted a new attack on the Verdun front, but were beaten back by the French. Up to the

time of writing, there have not since been any very important events in that region, though a French communiqué of May 31 stated that "on the left bank of the Meuse, the artillery struggle was fairly lively," and there have been one or two other allusions recently to artillery engagements on the line of the river on which Verdun stands. Our photograph shows a picturesque French cantonment in grottoes near the city.

AIRMEN VICTORIOUS OVER INFANTRY AND GUNS: BRITISH

DRAWN BY H. W. KOEKKOEK FROM



BRITISH AIRMEN TAKE THE OFFENSIVE AGAINST A GERMAN BRIGADE CONCENTRATING

During the recent fighting south-east of Arras, a covey of British aeroplanes, returning from a raid far behind the German lines, discovered and broke up a German brigade that was concentrating for attack. Heavy bombs were dropped with effect, and several thousand rounds of machine-gun ammunition were expended on the enemy troops crowded in their trenches. Several columns of infantry on the march were also successfully engaged. Despite a heavy rifle and machine-gun fire from the Germans, and an energetic display by their "Archies," our aeroplanes successfully ran the gauntlet without casualty, although several had their wings peppered with bullets. When they arrived back over the British

AEROPLANES BREAKING UP A GERMAN CONCENTRATION.

MATERIAL SUPPLIED BY AN EYE-WITNESS.



FOR ATTACK: A BATTLE OF AIR AND LAND FORCES ON THE WESTERN FRONT.

lines the airmen dropped messages to the artillery, and a heavy fire was opened on the German concentration, so that the enemy's attack was never even launched. The importance of the aerial side of the campaign on the Western Front may be gauged by the recent statement that, of 713 aeroplanes brought down on both sides during May, 442 were German machines, and (according to the enemy's claims) 272 British and French. British airmen, it has been reported, now frequently fly low to attack German anti-aircraft guns, machine-gun posts, kite-balloon stations, and so on.—[Drawing Copyrighted in the United States and Canada.]

"CORNSTALKS" IN THE FIELDS OF DEATH: AUSTRALIANS AT THE FRONT.

DRAWN BY WILL DYSON FOR THE AUSTRALIANS.



A LESSON IN FRENCH: AN AUSTRALIAN SOLDIER AND A LITTLE FRENCH GIRL



WITH HELMET ON STICK FOR TOMBSTONE: AN AUSTRALIAN'S BATTLEFIELD GRAVE.



INQUIRING THE WAY: AN AUSTRALIAN DIRECTING TWO SCOTS AT THE FRONT.



STRAGGLERS: MEN WHO HAVE DROPPED BEHIND FOLLOWING ON IN THE TRACK OF THEIR BATTALION.

The Australians lately added to their splendid fighting record in the war a gallant exploit against the Hindenburg Line, which won high commendation from Sir Douglas Haig in his message to the British Empire League in Sydney. More recently, the account of the brutal ill-treatment of Australian prisoners by the Germans has aroused universal indignation. We publish here some remarkably fine drawings, specially made for the

Australian Contingent, from personal observation at the front, by the well-known cartoonist, Mr. Will Dyson, who himself hails from the Commonwealth. He was born at Ballarat in 1883, and received his education at Melbourne. His wife, formerly Miss Ruby Lindsay, is also an Australian artist. A few notes have been supplied with the drawings here given. On the left-hand page the upper left-hand subject illustrates the

(Continued opposite.)

WITH THE AUSTRALIANS AT THE FRONT: A TRAFFIC-CONTROLLER.

DRAWN BY WILL DYSON FOR THE AUSTRALIANS.



REGULATING TRAFFIC AT NIGHT AT A ROAD JUNCTION NEAR THE FRONT: AN AUSTRALIAN SOLDIER ON POLICE DUTY.

Continued.

fast friendship that exists between the Australian troops and the children of the village in which they may be billeted. The adjoining drawing shows an Australian bending to read the inscription on a comrade's grave. In the lower left-hand drawing the Australian answering inquiries as to the way is saying: "Keep the old Tank over the ridge on your right, then straight on till you strike the duck-boards near the mine-

crater." As regards the fourth drawing, "a common sight is a straggler who has dropped behind his battalion on the move, and who is following on in its tracks." In the large drawing on the right-hand page, a note says: "The traffic control man at night directs the movements of traffic, and generally polices the road junction at which he is posted."—[Drawings Copyrighted in the United States and Canada.]

THE END OF A U-BOAT: A FRENCH COASTER FIGHTS AND SINKS AN ENEMY SUBMARINE.

DRAWN BY CHARLES FOUQUERAY.



AFTER SHE HAD BEEN HIT: THE GERMAN SUBMARINE TRYING TO SUBMERGE, BUT FORCED TO REMAIN TILTED UP, HALF ABOVE THE SURFACE—THE "HYACINTHE-YVONNE"

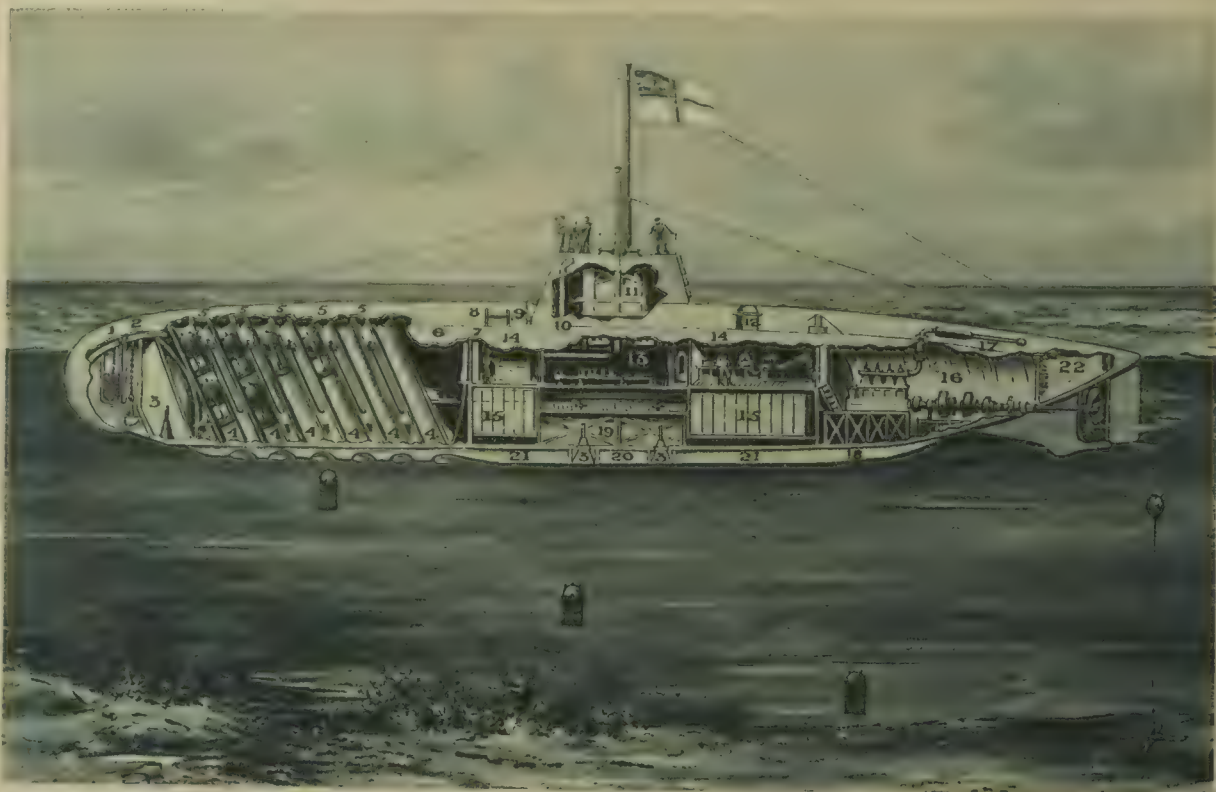
FIRING THE CLOSE-QUARTER SHOTS THAT RIDDLED THE HULL AND FINALLY SANK THE U-BOAT.

The fight between a French coaster and a German submarine illustrated above took place off the coast of Brittany a few weeks ago, and resulted, there can be no doubt, in destruction for the enemy. The French victor was a coaster, the "Hyacinthe-Yvonne," of Sables d'Olonne. For some time before the incident, the local fishing fleet had been preyed on by a German submarine, which haunted their fishing grounds. Finally, the "Hyacinthe-Yvonne" was specially commissioned and fitted, armed with a 47-mm. gun, manned by picked fishermen, who had all seen war service with either Army or Navy, and sent out to protect the fishermen. She sailed with the fleet, and was promptly attacked by the submarine, who closed on her, firing hard, to within 300 mètres. Then—just after the "Hyacinthe-Yvonne" had been mortally

wounded, so to speak, by a hit below the water-line—one of the French shells, planted at the base of the U-boat's conning-tower, seemed to have given the Germans a dangerous blow. The U-boat lowered her deck gun hastily, closed hatches, and tried to submerge. She only managed, however, to dip her bows steeply under, and there remained immovable, with half the vessel's hull helplessly tilted up in the air. The French coaster neared her, and plumped shell after shell into the U-boat's thin steel hull for fully five minutes. Then, abruptly, as though she had suddenly filled, the U-boat slid down perpendicularly and disappeared in deep water. She was never seen or heard of again. A few minutes later, the "Hyacinthe-Yvonne" herself foundered from shot-holes. All on board were rescued.—[Drawing Copyrighted in the United States and Canada.]

THE SUBMARINE QUESTION: U-BOAT; AND U.S. SUBMARINE "MOTHER."

No. 1 FROM A GERMAN PAPER; No. 2 SUPPLIED BY C.N.



AS FORMIDABLE AS THE ORDINARY COMMERCE-RAIDING U-BOAT: A GERMAN SUBMARINE MINE-LAYER A DIAGRAM SHOWING ITS CONSTRUCTION.



LIKE A GIANT SUBMARINE SURFACE-TRAVELLING THROUGH A STORM: THE U.S. MONITOR "TALLAHASSEE," SUBMARINE "MOTHER SHIP," IN A ROUGH SEA.

The figures on the diagram of the German submarine mine-layer refer to the following: (1) Chain-locker; (2) Anchor; (3) Sea-cocks' valve opening and closing apparatus; (4) Mine-expulsion tubes; (5) Compressed-air reservoirs for ejecting mines; (6) Pressure regulating chamber; (7) Water-tight door; (8) Deep-sea sounding gear; (9) Buoy fitted with telephone and lamp; (10) Ventilator; (11) Conning-tower with periscope and

telescopic mast; (12) After-hatchway; (13) Central compartment; (14) Living quarters of crew; (15) Electric accumulators; (16) Propelling engines; (17) Silencer; (18) Oil tanks; (19) Water-ballast tanks; (20) Safety counterweights; (21) Ballasted keel; (22) After trimming tanks. Mines are shown in the process of being dropped to anchor automatically and float at a set distance beneath the surface.

THE STRUGGLE FOR LONDON 'BUSES: HAMMERSMITH'S SOLUTION.

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The reduction in the number of motor-omnibuses in London, owing to the restrictions on the use of petrol, has caused a chronic state of overcrowding in these vehicles, which are usually full both inside and out, with a row of "strap-hangers" within. Naturally, in these circumstances, there is a rush for them, especially at this time of year, when there is keen competition to go "on top" and obtain a breath of comparatively fresh air. At Hammersmith Broadway, one of the busiest traffic centres in London, and a

halt for three or four lines of 'buses, an effective method of dealing with the matter has been adopted. The number of each 'bus is painted in large letters on the pavement at its stopping-place, thus removing one obvious cause of confusion, and an official regulates the queues of passengers. At six o'clock, when the traffic is heaviest, Special Constables come on duty to relieve the inspectors of the omnibus company.—Drawing Copyrighted in the United States and Canada.]

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SCIENCE JOTTINGS.

RHUBARB LEAVES AS FOOL

SOME commotion was caused a few weeks back by the news that persons who had eaten freely of rhubarb leaves cooked as greens had suffered severely in consequence, death being attributed to them in at least one instance. This was the more extraordinary as the rhubarb plant is not known to contain any alkaloid or other poison fatal to mankind, and it was therefore assumed that the illness in question was due to some idiosyncrasy in the patients. Such a state of things is frequent enough, and nearly every one knows people to whom shell-fish, mushrooms, pigeons, or even potatoes are, as they say, "rank" poison.

It seems, however, that this doctrine of idiosyncrasy is only partly right with regard to rhubarb leaves, and that the number of people likely to be injuriously affected by eating them is much larger than was supposed. Our contemporary *Nature*, on May 24, recalled a controversy that arose in 1853 at a time when attempts were made to manufacture rhubarb wine to be sold on the English market either avowedly or as an adulterant for champagne. Several medical and other writers then warned us that rhubarb contains a relatively large quantity of binoxalate of potash, which on meeting with "hard" water—that is, water containing an excessive amount of lime—decomposes and in part converted into oxalate of lime. But oxalate of lime is itself the chief constituent in the mulberry calculus, which is the active cause of one of the most unpleasant forms of stone in the bladder; and it is probable, therefore, that a prolonged diet of rhubarb, particularly in the shape of its fermented juice, would be likely to cause serious trouble of this kind.

This, however, would not in itself be enough to account for the few cases lately reported of illness following the consumption of cooked rhubarb leaves. Stone in the bladder is, luckily for some of us, a disease of slow development, and it is unlikely that, even in the case of a person already subject to it, a diet of rhubarb would lead to such an aggravation of

it as to cause death. But there is a peculiar habit of body, or constitution, which doctors call the oxalic acid diathesis, one of the concomitants of which is the presence of oxalate of lime in the blood. One of the symptoms of this is the liability to sudden stomacal disturbances, sometimes of considerable violence, which are probably due to arrest of or interference with the process of digestion. Given a weak (*i.e.* a flabby heart) and a diet which considerably increased the amount of oxalate of lime in the blood, and it is not impossible that death might, in a bad case, be the

of gout, they noticed that serious aggravation of symptoms often followed the consumption of sorrel in large quantities. Sorrel is hardly known in English cookery, but is much more common in French, where *grenadine de veau à l'oseille* is a favourite dish, and the same delectable vegetable enters into the composition of several French soups.

But no vegetable contains more oxalates than sorrel, its Greek name of *oxalis* giving its name to oxalic acid and all the salts formed from it. Hence the French doctors, who at first were inclined to put the severity of their patients' symptoms down to the veal, recognised it as being caused by the sorrel, and "*point d'oseille*" came to be a regular formula in their prescriptions for gouty, or supposedly gouty, patients. They even went so far as to include tomatoes in their ban, as these, too, contain some oxalates, but have since seen reason to modify their judgment on this point.

The risk that is run by the consumption of rhubarb is therefore capable of being roughly estimated, and is seen to be fairly slight. The oxalic acid diathesis is not very common, but is, as Dr. Golding Bird, who carefully studied it, thought, more generally diffused than might be supposed. It is distinct from that of gout, but is often mistaken for it, as the two have many symptoms in common.

Its diagnosis must be left to competent medical men; but no one who has ascertained that he possesses it should eat rhubarb or sorrel

in any form. As regards the rest of the community, they can continue to take their rhubarb in the usual way, and possess their sorrel in peace. For the present, however, and until the matter is more thoroughly investigated, it will be prudent for us all to confine our attentions to the stalks only.

After all, there are such things as vegetable ptomaines, and, apart from other considerations, the leaves kept back for cooking are not always of the first freshness.

F. L.



OFFICERS OF OUR OLDEST ALLY IN LONDON: MAJOR SIR NORTON DE MATTOS, G.C.M.G., AND OFFICERS OF THE PORTUGUESE ARMY MISSION TO ENGLAND AND FRANCE

The central figure of the three officers seated in front is Major Sir Norton de Mattos, Portuguese Minister of War, on whom the King has just conferred the G.C.M.G. He comes of a family that intermarried with an English family which settled in Portugal a century ago, whence he derives his first name. The organization and training of the Portuguese forces for the Western Front is stated to be entirely his work, carried out with immense energy, marked ability, and great success. Reading from left to right, the officers shown are (seated) General Barreiros (British representative with the Mission), Major Norton de Mattos, Lieut.-Col. Baptista, Chief of Staff, Portuguese Expeditionary Force, (standing) Capt. Fernandes, Major Agas, Major Lloyd, Capt. Martins, Capt. McGregor.—[Photograph by Vandyl.]

result. Dr. Solly, who, as *Nature* states, went very carefully into the matter, found that the leaf-blade of the rhubarb plant was the chief seat of the binoxalate of potash contained in it, which would account for the fact that millions of people during this time of year daily consume tarts and other dishes made from the leaf-stalks without suffering any ill consequences.

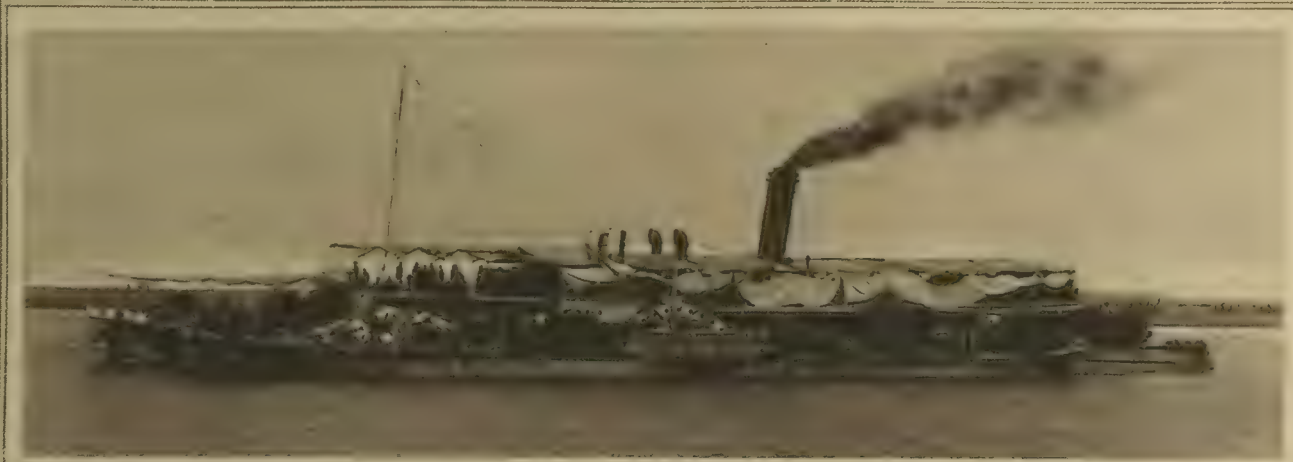
The presence of oxalates in the blood also explains another fact that has puzzled many. When the French doctors inaugurated the new treatment

THE NAVAL ADVANCE TO BAGHDAD: STEAMING UP THE TIGRIS.

PHOTOGRAPHS SUPPLIED BY C.N.



ON THE MORNING OF THE TAKING OF THE CITY: "FULL STEAM AHEAD FOR BAGHDAD"—ONE OF THE LEADING MONITORS.



FOLLOWING ASTERN OF THE MONITORS AND GUN-BOATS: THE S.S. "BASRAH"; WITH BARGES OF WOUNDED TURKISH PRISONERS ON EITHER SIDE OF HER.



ON THE AFTERNOON OF THE TAKING OF THE CITY: "BAGHDAD IN SIGHT"—MONITORS PUSHING UP THE LAST REACH OF THE TIGRIS

These photographs of the taking of Baghdad continue those published in our issue of May 19. Baghdad "fell"—in other words, was entered by our military and naval forces without opposition from the enemy's regulars—on March 11. The recently defeated Turks had evacuated the city, bag and baggage, not many hours before and were retreating north, with our cavalry following hard at their heels. The Turkish river squadron of armed vessels had previously been "taken, burned, sunk, or otherwise destroyed," in the words of the Nelson-time Admiralty formula, a few miles down the Tigris. The final move up-stream to the city by our naval forces was led by the monitors, whose guns had settled the fate of the Turkish war-vessels. After their fight they anchored

amidst the wrecks of their beaten foe, and then moved on, accompanying the advance by land. Early on March 11, the order was given, "Full steam ahead to Baghdad." One of the monitors is shown in the foreground in the upper illustration just after starting, together with two attendant launches, astern at either side. The centre illustration shows the S.S. "Basrah" proceeding with barges full of Turkish wounded prisoners (taken by the Navy during the series of engagements between Kut and the Diala) on either side. The third illustration shows monitors steaming up the wide reach of the Tigris immediately below the city. The white-walled houses and minarets of Baghdad are full in sight, right ahead, in the background of the photograph.

MOUNTAIN SCENES OF THE GREAT ITALIAN OFFENSIVE.

UPPER PHOTOGRAPH BY C.N.



HOW THE ROAD-BUILDING OF THE ITALIAN ENGINEERS HAS CONTRIBUTED TO VICTORY: A CONVOY OF SUPPLIES ASCENDING A NEWLY CONSTRUCTED MOUNTAIN ROAD.



IN THE MOUNTAINOUS REGION OF THE ITALIAN OFFENSIVE NORTH OF GORIZIA: THE ISONZO, SHOWING HEIGHTS CAPTURED BY THE ITALIANS. The first great blow in the Italian offensive on the Julian front was struck in the mountainous region north of Gorizia, where the Isonzo winds through rocky gorges. From a point near Plava can be seen the hills to the east of the river, as shown in the lower photograph. Monte Kuk and Monte Vodice were carried by the Italians early in their advance. On Monte Santo, crowned by the buildings of a convent, the Austrians held out more stubbornly. The Italians, however, attacked it vigorously.

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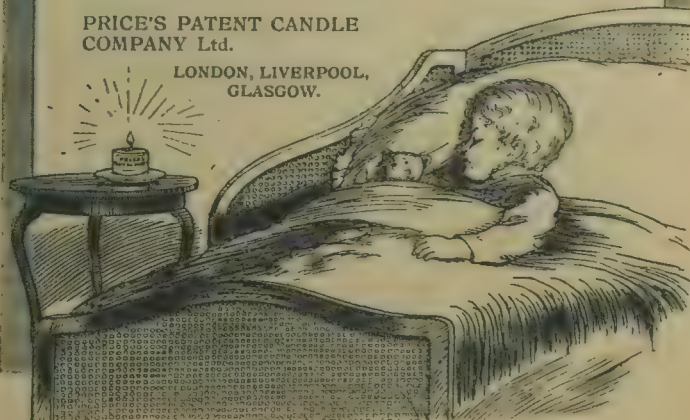
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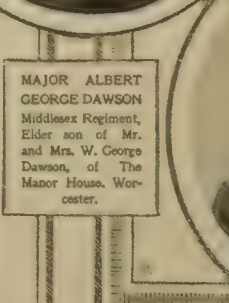
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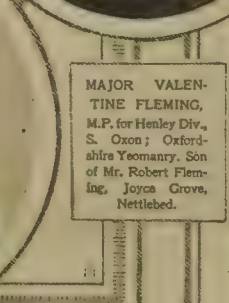
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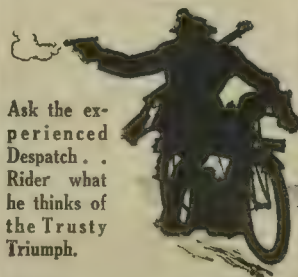
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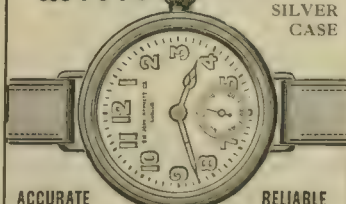
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LITERATURE.

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exception among Russian revolutions, as the population was quick to realise. The author is nowhere more interesting than when describing, with corroboration of facts within his own knowledge, the really diabolical efforts of the old Government to starve the poor inhabitants and so goad them to violence. He confirms all that has been alleged of the treachery of the authorities in league with the Germans. In view of this provocation, the moderation and self-restraint of the Russian people was as marvellous as it was admirable. Having achieved liberation, many

spur of the Peak between the forests of Peak and Macclesfield, and derives its name from *limiles*, because it is situated on the borders of Cheshire, Lancashire, and Derbyshire. It was built by Sir Piers Legh, the seventh in succession, who succeeded his father in 1541. Over its owners the building has exercised a powerful fascination, and the writer of the present volume, who shares this affection, was charmed to discover from the old letters which inspired her work that her ancestors were equally devoted to "dear Lyme." She confesses, and her readers will understand the confession,

that she "has grown to know and love these dear dead people with whose characters and handwritings I am now so familiar, and who are as real to me as living beings of to-day, even as I love every stone of the grand old house that has seen the passing of so many of this long line." The work of reading the letters, faded with age and damp, has required infinite patience. A single word often took half an hour to decipher with the aid of a strong magnifying-glass. But the end crowns the work, and Lady Newton is to be congratulated on a record which throws wonderful and interesting sidelights on a period extending from the reign of Elizabeth to that of George III. The editor always keeps contemporary England in view, and gives the letters their proper historical setting. The result is no mere calendar of papers, but a finely rounded and very romantic picture of those times. The domestic annals are full of tender and humorous touches. The perfect love-story of Richard Legh and his wife Elizabeth is one of those idyllic episodes which cheat the grave of its victory and link past generations with our

own in living bonds. And the strangely qualified love-story of the last Peter Legh and Martha is an ironic *decrecendo* such as Meredith might have imagined. For Martha's letters, which were once addressed to her "Dearest, dearest Rogue," come down to an epistle that opens with a stiff "Mr. Legh." That way lay a domestic tragedy, the end of which is unknown. Lady Newton hopes that there was a reconciliation, but the record is dumb. The book is magnificently illustrated, its material is firmly handled, authorities are strictly quoted, and there is an index of the right kind. In a word, this is a Book.



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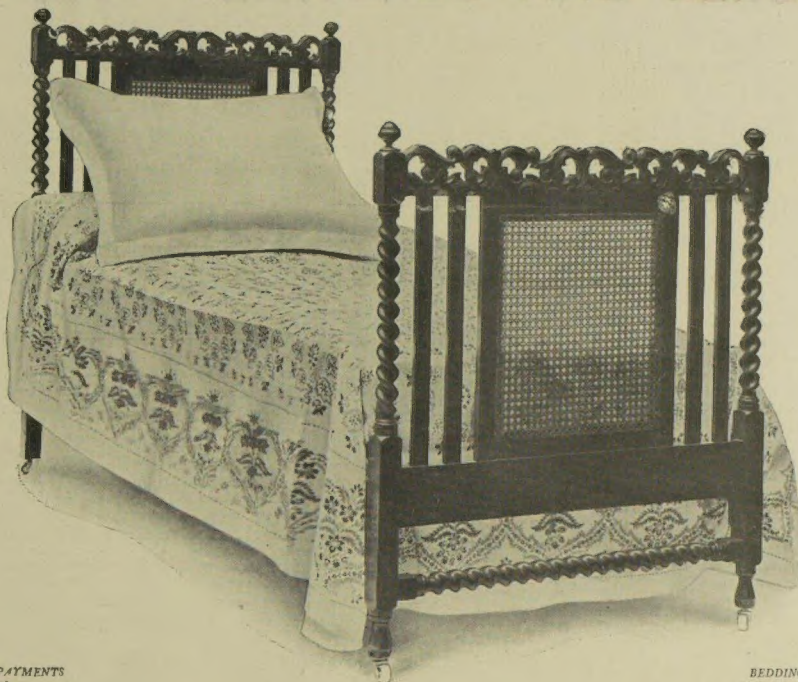
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CORRECT SOLUTION OF PROBLEM No. 3754 received from H Ilavia; of No. 3756 from J C Fennelly (Kansas); of No. 3757 from R A S Johnston (Ealing) and J Marshall Bell (Buckhaven); of No. 3758 from J Gilchrist (Netley), P Wulfaert, T T Gurney (Cambridge), W J Woodward (Newton Abbot), Miss S H Smith (Ealing), P Havelock Davies (Vauxhall), S G Annis (Grantham), N R Dharmavir (Padiham), A B Wynne Willson (Hereford), Rev. J Christie (Birmingham), E P Stephenson (Llandudno), Captain: Challies (Great Yarmouth), Luke James, and F J Brown (Worcester).

The following have sent the Author's Solution of PROBLEM No. 3759.—F J Brown, J Fowler, J F Forbes, and J Dixon (Colchester).

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Final game in the Challenge Match for the Championship of Western Pennsylvania, at the Pittsburgh Chess Club, between Messrs. Dolde and Bowers.

(Queen's Pawn Game.)

WHITE (Mr. D.) BLACK (Mr. B.)

1. P to Q 4th P to K B 4th
2. P to K 4th

This continuation has almost demolished the validity of the Hollandish defence, the resulting game for White being so free and open.

3. Kt to Q B 3rd Kt to K B 3rd
4. B to K Kt 5th P to K 3rd

Pillsbury against Lasker here played P to B 3rd, but it did not prove satisfactory.

5. Kt takes P B to K 2nd
6. B takes Kt B takes B
7. Q to R 5th (ch) P to K Kt 3rd
8. Q to Q B 3rd Kt to Q B 3rd
9. Castles Q R

The superiority of White's position now needs no demonstration. All his forces are now in play; while his opponent must not only Castle into their field of action, but his own Queen's pieces cannot be utilised save at a ruinous cost of time.

10. Q to B 3rd Castles
11. Kt to K B 3rd P to Q R 4th
12. P to K R 4th Kt to Q Kt 5th
13. K to Q Kt sq Kt to Q 4th

WHITE (Mr. D.) BLACK (Mr. B.)

14. Q to Q 2nd Q to K 2nd
15. P to K R 5th P to K Kt 4th

16. Kt (K 4) takes P B takes Kt
17. Kt takes B Kt to K B 5th
18. Kt to K 4th P to K 4th
19. P to K Kt 3rd P takes P
20. P takes Kt Q takes Kt
21. R to Kt sq (ch) K to R sq

If K to B 2nd, White speedily wins the Queen, or mates.

22. R to K sq Q to Q 4th
23. R to K 5th B to B 4th

There is nothing else. The P at Q 5th must be defended to prevent Q takes P (ch).

24. B to Q 3rd P to Q B 4th
25. B to K 4th Q takes B
26. R takes Q B takes R

27. P to Q Kt 3rd P to Q R 5th
28. P to Q Kt 4th P to R 6th
29. P takes P P takes P

30. R takes Q B P Q to Q sq
31. R to K 5th B to B 4th
32. Q to R 5th R to Q R sq

33. Q to Kt 5th R to Kt 5th
34. R to K 7th R to B 3rd
35. Q takes Q Kt P Resigns.

By this well-deserved success, White maintained his title against the challenger.

SOLUTION OF PROBLEM No. 3757.—By H. J. M.

A White Pawn should stand at K Kt 4th; then—

WHITE

1. Kt to Q 3rd

2. Kt to K sq

3. Q to Kt 5th (mate).

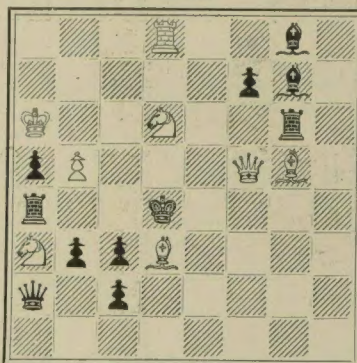
BLACK

P to R 8th (becomes Kt)

Kt to B 7th

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WHITE.

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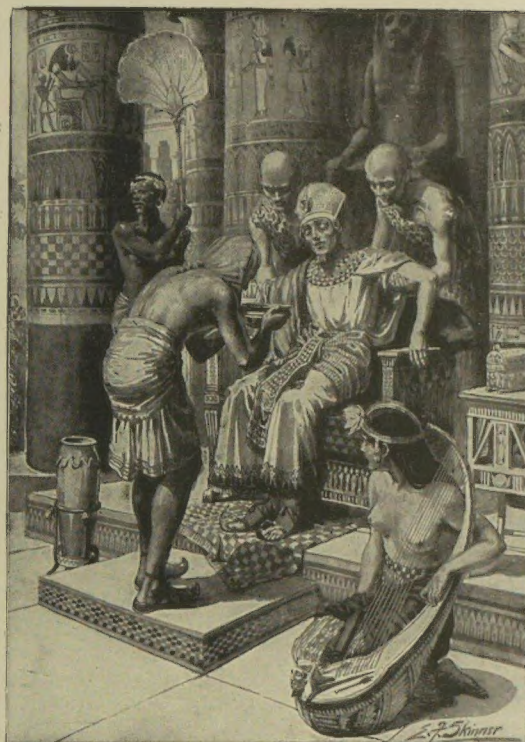
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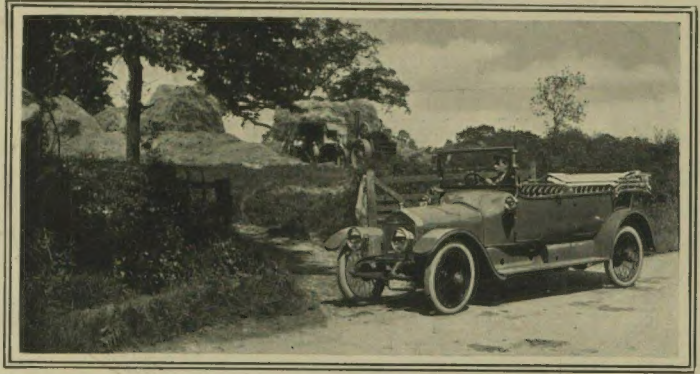
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THE CHRONICLE OF THE CAR.

From the Road to the Air. How long a time will elapse before the motor-car will be as relatively obsolete as the horse is now, and we make all our journeys in the air instead of by the older methods of travel? Listening to the reading before the Aeronautical Society of Mr. Holt Thomas's paper on "Commercial Aviation," one was almost tempted to think that the day is not far distant when that will have come to pass. It may be that we shall never get to such an extreme state of the development of travel, but there can be no shadow of doubt that before very long the aeroplane will have taken its place as a serious factor in locomotion. Even now, accepting Mr. Holt Thomas's figures at their face value—and he speaks with close knowledge of the capabilities—the aeroplane can, under certain circumstances, compete on even terms with other forms of traction and then beat its rivals. He does not, of course, set out to claim that aircraft can do all that can be done by the railway train or the motor; but, as he pointed out to his interested audience, we are not concerned particularly with what the aeroplane cannot do. What matters is the things it *can* do. We shall never, for example, use aircraft for the transport of heavy goods, not only because the machines of to-day—and, so far as we can see, of the future—are quite incapable of carrying heavy loads, but because there is no necessity to take advantage of the principal

attribute of aircraft, which is speed. It may be of the greatest advantage to the business man to be able to leave London after breakfast, fly to Paris and transact business there, and get back to London in time to sign his letters before going home to dinner; but we do not want that speed in the delivery of goods. In a word, the argument is that we must be content to study the possibilities that lie within the limits of aircraft capacity, and to base our conclusions of their utility upon those possibilities, leaving out of consideration those things which are not possible. And, indeed, the former are sufficiently wonderful in themselves. Moreover, Mr. Holt Thomas succeeded in convincing us that, apart from the scientific wonder of human conquest of the air, it is capable of being translated into terms of hard com-

As to this, Mr. Holt Thomas spoke reassuringly, and pointed out that, although we have heard lately of a great many accidents in flying, these accidents have occurred under war-flying conditions, which are obviously a very



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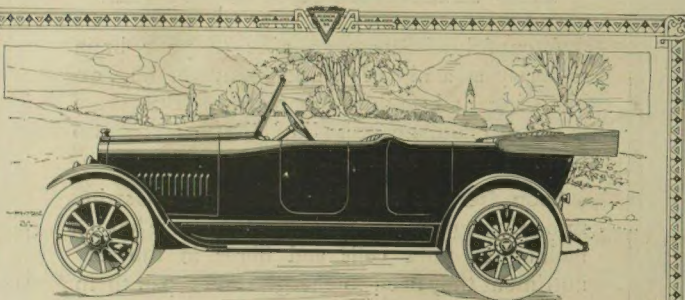
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mercialism. He showed us how, with a mere nine aeroplanes in commission working on the London-Paris route, and each carrying twelve passengers, the fortunate investors would make profits at the rate of £43,000 a year. Quite possibly the estimate is on the sanguine side, but again we must recollect that the author has had an experience of aircraft which is probably unique, and he should therefore know what he is talking about. The question that will appeal more than any other to the travelling public, when at last regular aeroplane services are established and we are asked to travel by them, is that of safety.

different matter from those of peace. His manner of stating the case was excellent. He contended that there was admittedly an element of risk in flying, as there is in everything we do, but that the risk did not amount to danger. Therein I think most who have really followed aviation since its early days will agree. Travellers are likely to require more than argument to satisfy them of this, and they will have to be reassured by the experience of the less cautious. Therefore the growth of commercial aerial transport will be relatively slow, but grow it will.

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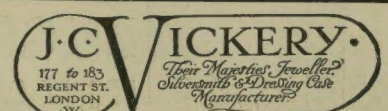
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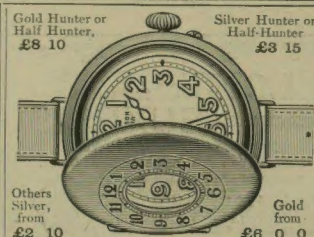
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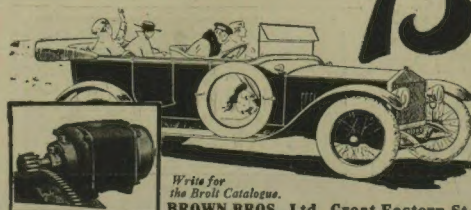
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